

# Manchester Business Newsletter

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# LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Dear business owner,

We are four months into the new year. I hope all businesses are feeling more optimistic as this year's business climate seems to be picking up steam. As a City, we are moving forward with the full suite of summer activities that include pool parties, summer concerts and lots of classes and summer camps. Even Manchester Homecoming, the City's best reason to gather and spend a September weekend together, is fully planned!

If you haven't received it yet, the City's quarterly newsletter, The Manchester Message, will soon be in your mail. With eight pages, it brings to you far more City information. There are many changes that I note in my column. I hope you pick it up and review the activities and articles that reveal Manchester to be an active, dynamic community.

Today, Manchester continues to stay connected with its businesses. We commit considerable staff resources to help your business navigate economic and governmental challenge, while also finding opportunities for help. Here are some Manchester business highlights:



- Earlier this year, the Board of Aldermen unanimously voted to waive the liquor license fee for Manchester restaurants and bars. That decision recognized the difficulties that hospitality and food industry businesses have faced since first quarter 2020.
- The City has just sent out an email to restaurants and bars informing them of a new Small Business Administration program called the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RFR). The RFR program will provide restaurants with funding equal to their pandemic-related revenue loss up to \$10M per business. Awardees will not be required to repay funds received from the program, unless the funds were used for purposes other than approved purposes. The program will begin accepting applications via the application portal on Monday, May 3 at 11 a.m. Please see the City's e-mail for appropriate links and more detail. With questions, you may call City Hall at 636-227-1385, ext. 106 and speak with City Clerk, Justin Klocke.
- The City seeks your response to their COVID-19 Recovery Assessment survey. We are seeking business response to a short list of key questions. The intent of the survey is to evaluate recovery needs within the Manchester business community. Your response may well help direct any City response using American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the business community here. If you haven't taken the survey, please visit <a href="https://www.manchestermo.gov/covidrecovery">www.manchestermo.gov/covidrecovery</a>.
- City staff and I recently hosted a lunch-time, small business discussion using zoom. Part of the meeting focus was to ask business owners what are the current, most critical needs of your business. That conversation, we believe, will flow into the City's response when ARPA funds become available. I encourage business owners to call City staff or me and talk with us about the challenges your business faces today and more importantly, your ideas of how the City can better aid our business community. We will listen.

  I look forward to hearing from you.

Mike Clement Mayor, City of Manchester mclement1310@gmail.com 314-680-9278

# **MEMORIAL DAY 2021**

On May 31st at 10am, Manchester will be remembering the day when grateful people acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice made by so many men and women over the ages defending this country's birth, freedoms and principles.



This year's ceremony will still be closed to the public but may be viewed live on the City of Manchester's Facebook page:

www.manchestermo.gov/facebook.

# **AQUATIC CENTER "APPRECIATION SUNDAYS"**

To say thank you to many essential workers and community groups in the City, the Manchester Aquatic Center is hosting <u>Appreciation Sundays</u> this year with free admission for the people listed that day.

June 20—Health Care Workers Appreciation Day July 11—Restaurant Workers Appreciation Day Aug 22—Small Business Owners Appreciation Day

We appreciate everything you do! If you have any questions feel free to contact the Manchester Parks, Recreation & Arts Department at 636-227-1385 ext. 400 or biones@manchestermo.gov.

# COME CHAT WITH US

During these trying times, the City of Manchester is continuing our efforts to connect with our business community. Below are upcoming chances to get to know staff and elected officials and get updates and information on things going on in Manchester.

**Conversations with the Mayor**—held at Manchester Justice Center, 200 Highlands Blvd Dr 63011:

Wednesday, May 12th at 630pm Wednesday, July 14th at 630pm Wednesday, September 8th at 730am Wednesday, November 17th at 730am





**Small Business Gathering**—held at Manchester Parks Facility, 359 Old Meramec Station Rd:

Wednesday, October 13th at 12pm

These events are expected to held in person and following current St. Louis County Guidelines. Updates on all events will be made closer to the event date on the <u>City's website</u>.

# **NEW BUSINESSES**

**Zaro Beauty** 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 302

Healthsource 431 Lafayette Center

**Skin Addiction, LLC** 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 302

**UNI Connections, LLC** 140 Enchanted Parkway, Suite 200

Luxury Lashes 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 111

Colorworks Hair By DREAA 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 204

Krisscolorss LLC 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 103

Denise's Salon 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 103

Beauty & Bliss 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 104

Barber Brittany 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 402

**Stephen Willett Agency** 14311 Manchester Rd, Unit 1

Salon Sorella 14389 Manchester Rd

John Kuster 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 303

Peach Blossoms Hair & Makeup 14391 Manchester Rd

Hair Creations by Cardinale 445 Lafayette Center, Suite 102

El Jarocho Mexican Store & Taqueria
25 Stonegate Center

Anodyne Pain & Wellness Solutions 1001 Brittany Pkwy



# WE ARE A COMMUNITY THAT CARES!

ManchesterCares is a citywide initiative to provide help, support, volunteers, and care to those in need throughout the region. ManchesterCares hopes you will help support the following food, school, personal care items and blood drives. These drives will support our local food pantries, schools, shelters and American Red Cross. Dates and details are blow. Please check <a href="https://www.manchestermo.gov/manchestercares">www.manchestermo.gov/manchestercares</a> for complete details closer to the date.

#### **Food Drives**

- Mayors for Meals 2021: A regional, single Saturday event, May 8 from 9 am noon. The drop-off site is the Justice Center, 200 Highlands Boulevard Drive. This drive benefits the St. Louis Area Foodbank. Red barrels will be either outside or just inside the entrance door.
- Food Drive benefitting Circle of Concern. Scheduled dates are June 19 through July Fourth. Barrels may be found at: 1) City Parks Building/Schroeder Park, 359 Old Meramec Station Road; 2) Manchester City Hall, 14318 Manchester Road; and 3) Manchester Justice Center, 200 Highlands Blvd Dr.

# **School Supply Drive**

• School Drive in August 1 – 8, benefitting Parkway School needs. Dropoff sites at: 1) City Parks Building/Schroeder Park, 359 Old Meramec Station Road; 2) Manchester City Hall, 14318 Manchester Road; and 3) Manchester Justice Center, 200 Highlands Blvd Dr.

# **Personal Care Items Drive**

• Personal Care items benefitting local community needs. Schedule to be determined later in the year. Drop-off sites at: 1) City Parks Building/Schroeder Park, 359 Old Meramec Station Road; 2) Manchester City Hall, 14318 Manchester Road; and 3) Manchester Justice Center, 200 Highlands Blvd Dr.

# **Blood Drives**

Blood drives held in Manchester are consistently full, a reflection of the understanding that blood is critically needed to save lives! Please join City staff, neighbors and friends and give a pint of blood.

To schedule your appointment, please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit: <a href="www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> and enter the sponsor code MPROA. This will take you to the sign-up page. You can also search by date or location (City of Manchester). For general questions, please call Mike Clement, 314-680-9278.

Saturday, May 22, 8am to 3pm, at the Justice Center\*
Tuesday, June 29, 10am to 4pm, at the Justice Center\*
Tuesday, August 31, 10am to 4pm at the Parks Facility\*\*
Wednesday, November 3, 12pm to 6pm at the Parks Facility\*\*

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Board of Aldermen-7:00 pm

May 3, 17

June 7, 21

July 6 (Tuesday), 19

# Planning & Zoning Commission—

7:00 pm

May 10, 24

June 14, 28

July 12, 26

#### Board of Adjustment-6:30 pm

May 13

June 10

July 8

#### **City Office Closures**

May 31st—Memorial Day
July 5th—Independence Day Observed

Check the City of Manchester's calendar <u>here</u> to stay up to date with City events and closures.

Visit <u>www.manchestermo.gov/manchestercares</u> for more information on this personal care items drive.

<sup>\*</sup> Justice Center located at 200 Highlands Blvd Dr 63011

<sup>\*\*</sup>Park Facility located at 359 Old Meramec Station Road 63021

#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

#### Mayor

Mike Clement 314-680-9278

## Ward I

<u>Carl Hudson</u> 314-703-2750

Nelson Nolte 314-452-1211

#### Ward II

Megan Huether 314-323-4524

Marilyn Ottenad 636-256-3109

#### Ward III

Rich Baumann 636-443-3322

Ben Toben 314-518-2398

#### CITY HALL INFORMATION

14318 Manchester Rd. Manchester, MO 63011 Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm 636-227-1385

City Administrator
Larry Perney
Extension 110

# City Clerk

Justin Klocke
Extension 106

Code Enforcement
Extension 111

Finance Department Extension 103

Parks, Recreation & Arts
Extension 400

Planning & Zoning Extension 118

> Public Works Extension 104

Police Department 636-227-1410

Non-Emergency Police Dispatch 636-527-9200

Police Tip Line 636-207-2823

## DOUGHERTY FERRY ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Construction on Dougherty Ferry Road between Charleston Place Ct and Country Stone Drive is now underway and will take approximately 150 calendar days to complete. During the construction of this project, motorists will not be able to access Route 141 from Big Bend Road. This portion of Dougherty Ferry Road should only be used by local traffic.

The scope of the project includes 1550 feet of asphalt street reconstruction, new drainage systems, new concrete curb and gutter, new sidewalks, and ADA compliant curb ramps. Funding for this project was obtained from the St. Louis Metropolitan Area Transportation Improvement Program to receive 80% Federal reimbursement with the additional 20% of the project costs being paid for through the City's Capital Improvement Fund.

If you have any questions about the project, feel free to contact the Department of Public Works at 636-227-1385 ext. 154 or 168. More information on this project can also be found on the City's website at <a href="https://www.manchestermo.gov/DoughertyFerry">www.manchestermo.gov/DoughertyFerry</a>.



# **BAXTER ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

St. Louis County is in the process of designing roadway improvement for Baxter Road from Manchester Road to Clayton Road. The county is currently in the process of obtaining Right-of-Way acquisitions where necessary easements will be necessary.

The scope of the project includes new asphalt pavement, curb repairs, guard-rail upgrades, storm sewers, and traffic signals. From Andersohn Drive to Holloway Road, the northern sidewalk will be replaced with a 10-foot-wide shared use path located behind the curb. The remaining sidewalks and curb ramps will be reconstructed for ADA compliance. It is anticipated that construction of this project will begin in 2022. For more information related to this project you can visit www.manchestermo.gov/BaxterRd.

